

DATE: September 9, 2019

AGENDA ITEM #5

TO: Environmental Commission

FROM: Callie Niday, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Environmental Commission Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and take action, as appropriate, on the 2019/20 Environmental Commission Work Plan

BACKGROUND

The Environmental Commission met in a Joint Meeting with the City Council on May 7, 2019 to review the Commission's 2018/19 Accomplishments and Draft 2019/20 Target areas and discussed issues and projects for the upcoming year. Based on this discussion, the targets were finalized, and the 2019/20 Work Plan was developed. The Targets and Work Plan are intended to focus the Commission's agenda items and will serve as a roadmap for projects and actions, as appropriate, during the 2019/20 year.

DISCUSSION

Environmental Commission Targets and resulting Work Plan for 2019/20 are:

- 1. Climate Action Plan
- 2. Water Conservation and Stormwater Management
- 3. Solid Waste Diversion
- 4. Community Outreach and Education

The Commission will review the targets, projects, and status updates at each of its monthly meetings and act appropriately.

Attachments:

A. 2019/20 Targets and Work Plan

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

2019/20 Targets & Work Plan September 9, 2019

Targets	Projects	Assignments	Target Date	City Priority related to	Status
Climate Action Plan	Review and comment on Building and Electric Vehicle Reach Codes	Subcommittee -Don Weiden, Laura Teksler and Lei Yuan	January 2020	CAP Goals	 SVCE presentation of Building Model Reach Code language on May 29, 2019 SVCE presentation of Electric Vehicle Model Reach Code language on June 6, 2019 SVCE presentation of Reach Codes to Environmental Commission on July 8, 2019; EC made a motion to support staff development and ratification of a reach code Subcommittee met on July 15, 2019 The subcommittee will come back with recommendations to City staff by the next EC meeting
	Update of City's CAP	Subcommittee to work with staff and Subconsultant	Monthly	CAP Goals	 The Sustainability Coordinator position was approved by the City Council for the Fiscal Year 2019-20 / 2020-21 Operating Budget on June 11, 2019 This is on hold until the new Sustainability Coordinator is on board
Water Conservation & Stormwater Management	Green Infrastructure Plan	Assist staff in development and review of Plan	June 2019	Storm Water Regional Discharge Permit	 Staff made a presentation of their final plan to the Environmental Commission on May 13, 2019 Approved by City Council on July 9, 2019

Solid Waste Diversion	Provide review comments on Solid Waste Disposal Contract	 Subcommittee Don Weiden, Laura Teksler and Chad Martin 	January 2020	Solid Waste Disposal	• Subcommittee met with staff and City Consultant on March 20, 2019 for a study session; City held a Community Meeting on May 15, 2019; staff met with subcommittee on Thursday, August 15; a Study Session was held with City Council on August 27; the contract is on the agenda (tentatively) for October 22, 2019
	Investigate initiatives on limiting single use plastics	 Subcommittee to work with staff and Subconsultant 	Monthly	Recycling	 Update to EC on June 10, 2019 The City of Los Altos is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee Andrea Trese from the City's Engineering Division is the Los Altos representative
Community Outreach & Education	Develop program in collaboration with the Los Altos History Museum	Environmental Education Fund held by LACFDavid Klein	June 2019	Public outreach and education	 Coordination with History Museum Apricot Stem Fair EnviroThon Challenge held at the Apricot STEM Fair on June 30, 2019 Winners and awards were selected at the EC meeting of July 8, 2019
	Update environmental measures on the City web site	• Chad Martin	Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Continue gas-powered leaf blower ban outreach and education	• Laura Teksler	Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Continue anti-idling outreach and education	• Don Weiden	Ongoing	Public outreach and education	• June 10, 2019 Report on Los Altos HS Survey Results
	Continue to support SVCEA community outreach and education		Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Assist staff with various outreach and education efforts	 Climate Action Plan Water Conservation Storm Water Management Solid Waste Diversion Urban Forest / Trees Downtown Vision 		Public outreach and education	

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